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# Church News

#### APRIL COLLECTIONS.

The month of April is set apart in the General Assembly's schedule for collections for Education for the Ministry. Remit to John Stites, Treasurer, Louisville, Ky.

#### CHILDREN'S DAY FOR 1909.

The date appointed by the General Assembly for Children's Day this year is May 23. An attractive program with hymns, reading, recitations and mite boxes will be ready by April 15. It will be well for Sunday schools to place their orders at once. All this literature is furnished free, postage prepaid. In making order be careful to give name of your church and Presbytery; and say whether you are near an express office.

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# FOR REBUILDING A MISSIONARY'S HOME.

Dr. Morris gratefully acknowledges the receipt of the following amounts for the home of Rev. J. P. Gibbons. The house will be begun in April:

Amherst (Va.) Missionary Society, \$1; Mrs. H. S. Sutherland, \$1.70; Mrs. E. Joyner, \$1.50; Rev. N. Keff Smith, \$3; Mrs. S. S. Cole, \$15; Miss Sue M. Caldwell, \$1; Mrs. Barnes and daughter, \$3; Misses Sallie and Mary Laferty, \$3; Davidson L. M. S., \$6.19; Mrs. Wm. M. Cumming, \$5; Mrs. B. F. Hall, \$10; Josie Jelks Denmark, \$1; Shemariah Church, \$1; Mrs. E. E. Henshaw, \$25; Rev. J. H. Clark, \$2; Cash, \$2; Rev. H. R. Raymond, \$5; "A Friend," \$2; Mrs. Duncan, \$1; Mr. w. P. Coe, \$10; Rev. R. A. White, \$15; Mr. J. R. McChesney, \$5; Mrs. N. A. Moore, \$1; Mrs. Alexander Allison, \$10.

## ALABAMA.

East Alabama Presbytery, at a called meeting held at Troy, March 9, accepted the resignation of Rev. J. M. W. Elder, dissolved the pastoral relation between him and the Troy group of churches and dismissed him to the Presbytery of Roanoke, Synod of Virginia.

Dothan: The pastor, Rev. E. M. Craig, has been called to the work of superinintendent of Home Missions of Athens Presbytery, with headquarters in Athens, Ga., and has indicated his willingness to accept.

Hartford: Rev. T. R. Best has resigned the work of this field on account of his health. For about a month he will be in the Good Samaritan Hospital, Lexington, Ky., after which he will rest for a few months at Millersburg, Ky., before beginning new work.

Huntsville: The congregation of the First Presbyterian church has raised the salary of the pastor, the Rev. Francis Tappey, from \$1,200 to \$1,500 per year. Mr. Tappey has been a faithful and efficient pastor, and this is one way in which the congregation wished to express appreciation for his services.

To the Ministers and Churches of the Synod of Alabama: As my term of service as treasurer of the Alabama Presbyterian College closes April 1, you will greatly oblige me by sending all funds intended for church and Christian education to Anniston before that time, so that these funds may be distributed equally between the colleges of the Synod as ordered by Synod at Mobile.

Wm. E. McIlwain.

#### ARKANSAS.

Fordyce: On first Sabbath in March, after a sermon by our evangelist of Pine Bluff Presbytery, Rev. B. E. Wallace, installed four officers, two elders, Mr. Geo. M. Hampton and Mr. Lewis Amis; also two deacons, Mr. A. Tredick and Mr. John R. Hampton. These men are capable and well equipped for the work and we shall have from them noble service, and hope to advance to greater and better things in the Master's vineyard. On third Sabbath in March five members united with our church, four by letter and one on profession. Our Sabbath School is more flourishing than ever before, and we hope soon to begin the erection of new Sabbath School room for the accommodation of our classes. The Ladies' Foreign Missionary Society has been active in doing much good work during the past year, and agreed to contribute fifty dollars additional for the coming year. The Ladies' Aid has also done a good work, as well as Christian Endeavorers.

## DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

Washington: On Tuesday, March 16, there was a missionary meeting held in the chapel of the Central church, which was both interesting and effective. The program, in charge of the Girls' Guild, a missionary society, was very attractively arranged and printed so as to carry out the idea of "An Evening with the Chinese." It consisted of songs, some in the Chinese language, together with recitations on missionary topics. The chapel was tastefully decorated with Chinese hangings, while the young ladies who took part were dressed in Chinese costume, making a pretty and attractive appearance, as they stood on the platform making this appeal for China. The entire audience joined in as they sang,

"Where He Leads Me I Will Follow." Following this there were several musical selections, after which the offering was received. It was desired that the offering should be sufficient to materially help the church pay its pledge to our pastor in China, and when the pastor announced that the amount given was almost the entire amount necessary to fulfil the missionary obligation, the closing verse of the Glory song was sung with much enthusiasm. After the missionary program was concluded, some Chinese refreshments were served and the evening with the Chinese thus hospitably concluded. James H. Taylor, Pastor.

# GEORGIA.

The Ladies' Foreign Missionary Union, Macon Presbytery, will meet in Thomasville, April 13, 14, 15. The first session will be neld on Tuesday evening. April 13, at 8 o'clock. It is earnestly desired that a full representation shall be sent from each society in the Presbytery, as matters of importance will come before the Union.

#### Mrs. A. G. Miller, President.

Milledgeville: Twelve were recently received on profession of faith into this church. These were some of the results of a meeting held in January, conducted by Rev. Richard Orme Flinn, of Atlanta. Besides reaching the townspeople, the meeting had a most happy effect upon the two institutions of learning located here, for young ladies and young men. Special services were conducted in both institutions, and a most encouraging response was made to the earnest appeals of Mr. Flinn. It was the unanimous verdict of all those who heard Mr. Flinn that he presented the truths of the gospel in a most impressive and winsome manner. Large congregations attended every service, and what was intended to be a week's meeting was, by request, extended to ten days.

To the Ministers of Atlanta Presbytery: Post cards have been sent to all clerks of session asking for names of representatives expecting to attend the stated spring meeting at Winder, Ga., April 13-16, 1909. An early response will be highly appreciated. It is desired that all churches and representatives and that every minister attend for the full session, so that the quadrennial celebration of the birth of John Calvin may be fittingly observed. Fritz Rauschenberg, Pastor.

Cherokee Presbytery: One of the marked features of the approaching meeting of Cherokee Presbytery will be the evangelistic conference to be held during its sessions at Menlo, April 6-9. The program for this conference is being arranged by Rev. W. A. Cleveland, corresponding member of the Assembly's permanent committee on evangelistic work. The aim of this conference is a revival in every church in the presbytery.

Atlanta—Westminster Notes: During the past week, Dr. Little has been conducting a series of meetings at the West End Presbyterian church. Wednesday night, the prayer meeting service at Westminster was in charge of "Our Syrian Guest" and two of his relatives, dressed in native Oriental costumes, The illustrated talk on the Shepherd Psalm,